



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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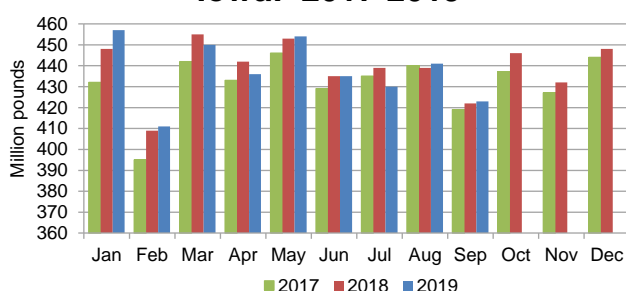
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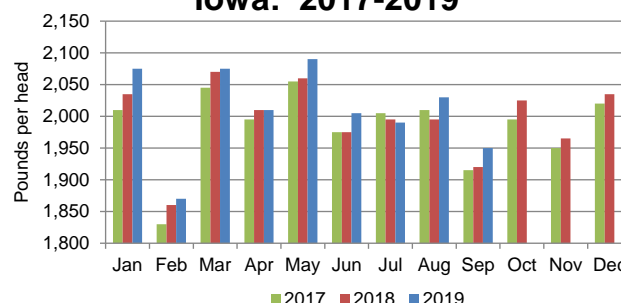
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Milk production in Iowa during September 2019 totaled 423 million pounds, up less than 1 percent from the previous September according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 217,000 head, was the same as last month but down 3,000 from last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,950 pounds, up 30 pounds from last September.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2017-2019**



**Milk Production per Cow
Iowa: 2017-2019**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2018 and 2019

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	Change from 2018
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	206	195	1,795	1,805	370	352	-4.9
California	1,732	1,727	1,860	1,895	3,222	3,273	1.6
Colorado	178	188	2,115	2,110	376	397	5.6
Florida	118	116	1,380	1,415	163	164	0.6
Georgia	80	79	1,610	1,595	129	126	-2.3
Idaho	610	627	2,045	2,060	1,247	1,292	3.6
Illinois	88	83	1,570	1,600	138	133	-3.6
Indiana	182	175	1,770	1,800	322	315	-2.2
Iowa	220	217	1,920	1,950	422	423	0.2
Kansas	160	162	1,870	1,895	299	307	2.7
Michigan	422	428	2,115	2,165	893	927	3.8
Minnesota	451	446	1,770	1,810	798	807	1.1
New Mexico	327	327	2,005	2,045	656	669	2.0
New York	621	627	1,950	1,965	1,211	1,232	1.7
Ohio	255	251	1,680	1,725	428	433	1.2
Oregon	122	125	1,690	1,705	206	213	3.4
Pennsylvania	517	485	1,610	1,650	832	800	-3.8
South Dakota	121	126	1,840	1,865	223	235	5.4
Texas	540	570	1,925	1,995	1,040	1,137	9.3
Utah	100	96	1,920	1,915	192	184	-4.2
Vermont	126	125	1,720	1,745	217	218	0.5
Virginia	81	73	1,520	1,560	123	114	-7.3
Washington	277	281	1,995	2,005	553	563	1.8
Wisconsin	1,273	1,267	1,965	1,985	2,501	2,515	0.6
24-State Total	8,807	8,796	1,880	1,913	16,561	16,829	1.6

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during September totaled 16.8 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from September 2018. August revised production at 17.5 billion pounds, was up 0.5 percent from August 2018. The August revision represented an increase of 32 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,913 pounds for September, 33 pounds above September 2018.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.80 million head, 11,000 head less than September 2018, but 7,000 head more than August 2019.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 54.3 billion pounds, up 0.5 percent from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.32 million head, 10,000 head less than the April - June quarter, and 66,000 head less than the same period last year.

Monthly Milk Production – 24 Selected States

Million pounds

